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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	Case No. 1:23-cr-00165-SNLJ
TYRONE DEVARIAE ALSTON,)	
Defendant.)	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on defendant's motion to dismiss the indictment based on the claim that the charged offense – receiving a firearm while under indictment for felony offenses in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(n) – is unconstitutional, both facially and as applied (Doc. 33). After extended briefing on whether the statute violates the Second Amendment under the *Bruen* case and its progeny, Magistrate Judge John Bodenhausen¹ issued a Report and Recommendation recommending the motion be denied (Doc. 51). Defendant filed objections to the Report and Recommendation (Doc. 52) and the government filed a response to the objections (Doc. 53).

This Court's review of the Report and Recommendation is governed by 28 U.S.C. § 636 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72. When a party objects to a report and recommendation, the district judge must conduct "a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which

¹ Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Local Rule 2.08, all pretrial matters were referred to United States Magistrate Judge John Bodenhausen (Doc. 4).

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objection is made." *United States v. Lothridge*, 324 F.3d 599, 600 (8th Cir. 2003) (quoting 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)). The district judge may then "accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *see also United States v. Craft*, 30 F.3d 1044, 1045 (8th Cir. 1994).

After full review of the record and briefing, this Court adopts, sustains, and incorporates herein the thorough and well-reasoned Report and Recommendation in its entirety and overrules defendant's objections thereto.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge John Bodenhausen (Doc. 51), filed August 21, 2024 is SUSTAINED, ADOPTED, and INCORPORATED herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant's Motion to Dismiss the Indictment (Doc. 33) is DENIED.

Dated this 11th day of September, 2024.

STEPHÉN N. LIMBAUGH, JR.

SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE